

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

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In the specification on page 1, ^{first paragraph} ~~line 6~~; after "10/042,342" inserts---now U.S. Patent 6,949,762---, after "10/042,356" inserts---now U.S. Patent 6,621,099---, after "10/042,358" inserts---now U.S. Patent 6,770,904---, after "10/042,359" inserts---now U.S. Patent 6,777,529---, after "10/042,360" inserts---now U.S. Patent 6,872,801---

Note that claims 2-4,6,14-18,21,27 and 29 have been cancelled, new claims 34-41 are added (the original claims are rewritten in independent forms), claims 22-26 have been amended to avoid improper dependency.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claims 22-26,28,30-31, and 34-41 are allowable over the prior art because none of the prior art documents discloses or suggests the claimed formulae of polythiophenes or the process for the preparation of polythiophenes having the claimed formulae.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."